

# Mormon Migration

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# Who?

- The Mormons- A religious community that was established in 1827
- Joseph Smith- Established the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Fayette, New York in 1830
- Brigham Young- Joseph Smith's successor

# What?

- The Mormons were considering moving west beyond the borders of the United State to get away from the government
- The Mormons' decided to move westward after a mob within the community murdered Joseph Smith in 1844

# When?

- In April of 1847, Brigham Young led the move westward
- They used the California Trail to head west
- They traveled for a little bit over 3 months
- The first Mormons arrived at Salt Lake Valley on July 22 of 1847

# Where?

- They started in New York in 1830 and then moved to Nauvoo, Illinois.
- After Joseph Smith was murdered, they moved westward from Nauvoo towards the Great Basin.
- When they got out of the mountains on their way to the Great Basin, they saw a large valley which they decided to settle in which is now Salt Lake City, Utah

# Why?

The reason they wanted to go to Great Basin was because they wanted to get away from the government and at the time, the Great Basin belonged to Mexico.

# How?

They traveled on horseback or in oxen-pulled wagons

# Migration

- Between 1847 and 1869, about 70,000 Mormons migrated to Utah along the Mormon Trail using the Transcontinental Railroad
- If people could not pay for the travel across the ocean or across the land, the Church helped them out by giving them a loan that they eventually had to pay back
- Brigham Young wanted Salt Lake City and surrounding towns to be on a grid. He wanted the streets to run north-south and east-west
- By 1857, the Mormons had started more than 90 settlements



# Westward Expansion

- This moved a large group of people westward into mexican territory
- It created a problem between the Mexican and the Americans
- It gave the Americans more of an reason to go to war for the land

# Relation to Manifest Destiny

This relates to Manifest Destiny because it was an expansion across the U.S and caused the U.S to grow and become a bigger nation.

# Joseph Smith



- This is a picture of Joseph Smith who built the first Church of Jesus Christ in Latter-day Saints in Fayette, New York in 1830.
- We chose this picture because he is one of the people that started up this religion and built its foundation.

# Brigham Young



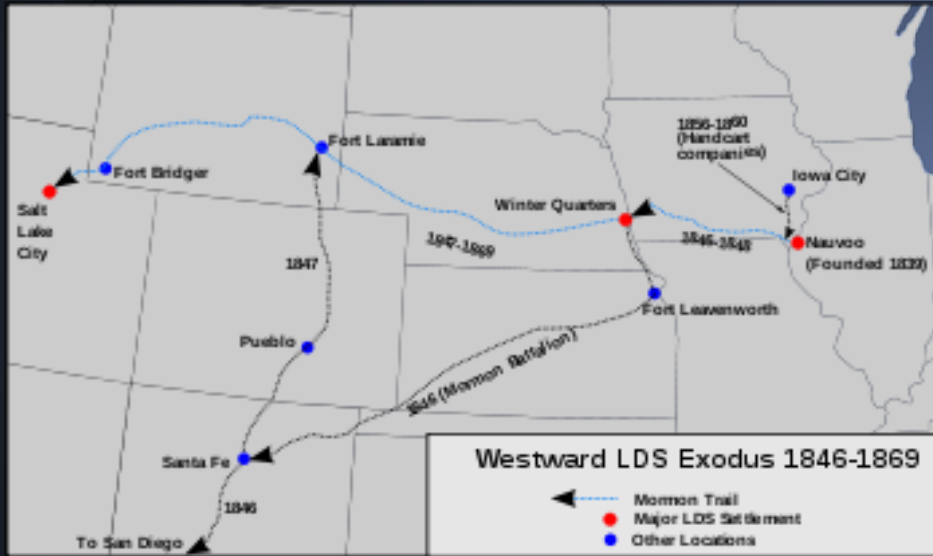
- This is a picture of Brigham Young who led the LDS westward towards Utah
- We chose this picture because he played a huge role in moving the Mormons' westward.

# Mormon Travelers



- This is a picture of the Mormon trail that people used when they were going across the land
- We chose this picture because it shows how the Mormons' traveled when they were moving westward

# Mormon Trail and Settlements



- This is a picture of the route that the Mormons' took west and settlements that they made
- We chose this picture because it shows the trail that the Mormons' took that lead them west to Utah. We also chose this picture because it shows where the LDS settled, as well as where other settlements were.



# Salt Lake City, Utah



- This is a picture of Salt Lake City in the 1860's
- We chose this picture because it shows that the plans Brigham Young had made, actually became effective and made a town